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THE PREACHING PROFESSION

While some of us do not realize it the role of the clergymen in our community has become a role represented by men who have undergone many years of specialized training. The old days when anyone who felt inclined to preach picked up a Bible and beganpreaching, are fast going out of fashion.

While there are not any standardized requirements for the ministry, and never will be and while such is not desirable, it is never theless true that long years of preparation and study are increasingly demanded of our clergymen.

The job itself, which is another thing some people fail to understand, is a tremendously demanding one. The clergyman who attends to all his duties the sorrows, the details, the preparation of inspirational sermons, the counseling and the tending of the many people, who need support, advice, comfort or encouragment is working a seven-day week.

When we consider the training, the study and the experiences which all go into the process of developing the average clergymen, it makes us realize that the benefit from their services, and their individual worth is measureless, and reminds some of us that they are among us to serve, and that we should take advantage of their counsel perhaps more than we do.

ARE YOU A WORRIER?

It is surprising how time seems to take care of most of life's problems, even though some of them seem insoluble at the moment.

Nevertheless, time is the greatest healer of all, and even the most melancholy turn of events can be softened and even erased, by the passege of time.

We mention this because life today is a great strain because of the fight for the happy dollar, and the pace today is one which has created tremendous mental and psychological problems, as well as nervous disorders, frustrations and disillusionment, in many cases.

It is a great consolation to realize that time will solve about ninety percent of your worries and if you can keep this in mind, it will calm your emotions and improve your philosophy of life and your day to day performance.

The psychiatrists say that the mind is a wonderful instrument, which gradually blocks out unpleasant memories and experiences and heals over wounds, in a beautiful fashion, given adequate time.

Therefore, we suggest that the worriers and the fretters relax a bit and outlive many of life's daily vexations and irritations. A serene philosophy, based on knowledge, faith, and other encouraging thoughts, will do wonders for you, your personality and your health. Try it.

U. S. group urges Congress to speed Latin aid.

GOOD SEED FOR GOOD CROPS

Farmers of Appomattox County are about to begin their spring planting. They will soon intiate the crops upon which they will depend for a living income. Into the uncertain lap of the weather and the market, they consign their fortune and the well being of their families for which they labor.

It is not a very inviting propect for farmers. What the future holds, in regard to yield, is hard to determine. What may be expected in the way of prices is also uncertain. There are risks that are inevitable but no unnecessary liability should be callously or wantonly added.

Too often a farmer plants his crop without considering the great importance of the seed. Heavy losses result every year in every crop from poor seed. Good seed is important. It is the good beginning which enables one farmer to outdo his neighbor. Good seed will mean good stands, healthy plants, with ability to live and grow and to withstand temporary setbacks.

We urge every farmer who reads this article to determine to plant only the best seed in the spring. This is one expenditure which will pay big dividends.

NIXON AND 1962

Former Vice President Richard Nixon has said he would announce in the next nine months whether he will be a candidate for Governor in California. The latest indications on this subject, however are that the former Vice Pres. has decided to make the race if circumstances work out properly.

More may be made known on this subject when Mr. Nixon makes his swing into the East, and takes off the gloves for the first time— in public speeches— next month. But in advance of this trip there were positive signs in Califirnia that Nixon was preparing to run.

One reason is the fact that California political leaders have told the ex-Vice President he has no choice. Mr. Nixon is assuming the leadership of the party in California. As the leader of the party, California aides are telling him, he will be a dead man if the party loses the gubernatorial race in 1962. He will be dead, they are saying, whether or not he himself is the gubernatorial candidate — if the G. O. P. loses.

California eyes are on New York in this connection, and it is almost certain that Governor Nelson Rockefeller will run for reelection in New York. His reelection is considered likely.

This will almost certainly give the New Yorker a momenturn that must be offset by a Nixon "comeback" victory. That is why Nixon is thought to be much closer to a decision to run, in 1962, than he was in December and January.

KNOW THE WEATHER

Do inverted air masses cause tornadoes? Are the cause of tornadoes all known and understood?

Many weather experts (if there are any) agree that inverted air masses make for tornado conditions. This is logical from the standpoint that heavier air falling through to lower altitudes is likely to set off all sorts of disturbances and whirls.

The vaired causes of tornadoes are not fully understood — even with all the modern scientific knowltdge at our disposal. The theory that inverted air masses produce tornadoes is one of several. This story holds that heavier air pouring down gets turned, or twisted, so to speak in a whirlwind manner, and creats one or more tornadoes.

The inversion and the rushing and falling air masses might cover an area of a hundred miles or more while the small tornadoes created might be separated by many miles, each less than a mile in diameter and some never touching the surface of the earth One small taornado, either bouncing off the surface or staying above, is often the result of an inversion though several are more often produced.

CHECK TOBACCO BEDS OFTEN, MATHEWS SAYS

Check tobacco beds often from now on to tramplanting time for insects, diseases, and nutrient deficiency symptoms.

G. R. Mathews, tobacco specialist at Virginia Polytechnic Institute says reports have been received of plants making poor growth on some major tobacco-producing counties. Some of this slow growth could be caused by using plant bed fertilizer low in nitrate nitrogen and this could be especially serious on beds that were fumigated with methly bromide. The fumigant not only destroys disease organisms but also kills nitrifying organisms, slowing the processs of nitrification, thus temporarily reducing the amount of availible nitrate nitrogen.

If tobacco plants are dark green in color, but are not growing properly, applying water twice a week during dry weather will generally stimulate growth. If additional nitrogen fertilizer is thought to be needed, apply 3 to 5 pounds of nitrate of soda per 100 square feet of bed. Water the bed after the material is applied to prevent burning foliage. Do not use organic nitrogen materials for topdressing tobacco plant beds.

A shortage of healthy plants at transplanting time can mean serious looses in income, Mathews warns.

ECONOMISTS GIVE BROILER OUTLOOK

A small reduction in price—probably to the 16 to 16½ level—is foreseen for broilers late this month and in early May.

Economists at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, say the supply for the last week in April is expected to be at an all time high for any corresponding period. These broilers will be coming on the market before the normal seasonal strengthening of demand.

In capsule form, the economists foresee these other trends in the poultry world:

An adequate to plentiful supply of broiler hatchery eggs to meet the needs of broiler producers.

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Mrs. Elliott Nash and family, of Appomattox spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harmen Jennings.

Mrs. H. B. Jennings, Sr., (better known to us all as "Ma Fannie"), of Culpeper, spent the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Parks Jennings and Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Jennings and children.

Mrs. Cantrell Smith and family, of Lynchburg, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carson visited Mr. and Mrs. Irby Wheeler on Saturday night. So glad Mrs. Wheeler is feeling much better.

Mr. Jessie Davidson spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Lester Carson, and Mr. Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beard and Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Tye Cobb Brinkard and two children, Susan and John, and Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Brinkard, Sr., of Lynchburg visited Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chick on Sunday.

Mrs. Tom Davidson and little Becky, Mrs. Wallace Bondurant, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chick visited Mrs. Richard Bondurant, at Oakville, on last Wednesday afternoon. So glad she is improving so nicely. Hope she will soon be real well again.

Mrs. Chatt Chapman, of Farmville is spending some time with her mother, Mrs. J. H. Beard. Glad to hear Mrs. Beard is slowly improving.

We are all so sorry to hear of the illness of Mr. Walter Lee. His kin are all at his bedside in the Lynchburg General Hospital. We hope he will soon be feeling better.

I am so proud of all our young folks at Hebron. They did such a fine job for Youth Week in our church. We want to thank each and every one who helped in the Youth Week to make it such a success.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jones and children, of Spout Spring, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irby Wheeler.

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COMMENTS ON SPORTS

By Pete Fritchie

Washington, D. C. - The new teams in the American League, Los Angeles and Washington, are starting off like "real people." The test in not yet conclusive, of course, as to whether they will measure up to Big League calibre over a full season's play.

These two new teams— what they do this year — will reflect on the wisdom of the haste of the junior Major League in expanding to ten teams in last year's maneuverings. The National, with expansion plans definitely set deliberately planned a two - year expansion program, believing any hasty expanding of the league would handicap the new league members.

So it is up to Washington and Los Angles to show that they can produce creditable opposition for the other eight "old" member teams. The first games are not conclusive. Vinegar, steam, and a lack of strech form, all contribute to early season surprises. Bench strength also comes into play later in the season.

One team likely to be stronger this year is Minneapolis - St. Paul The Twins have shaken off the losing tradition of an old park and have taken on the optimism and sparkle of an enthusiastic new home. This will fire up an already talented young team, which could be a surprise in the race this season.

It is hard to see how Los Angles and Washington can go anywhere this year, Certainly they grabbed up teams in record time.

It begins to look like the New York Yankees may need pitching help, though any final judgment must come later on in the season.

Baltimore, likewise, might find it hard to live up to last year's pace though there is a good chance that if New York falters the Orioles will win the pennant. Nothing would perk up the young Orioles more than a New York stumble.

Chicago and Al Lopez must also be counted in the race. Lopez, always ends up in it somehow. His White Sox aren't getting any younger, though, and he's banking on Herb Score to come through this year — a big if. Cleveland could get in the race if none of these three run away with it.

Detroit is a question mark. If Bunning and Foytack are consistent winners, behind Larry and Mossi, the Tigers could get tougher this year, with youngsters hustling in new jobs.

Boston and Kansas City seem out of it, like Los Angeles and Washington, though The Athletics could surprise and fight for a greater place in the sun, what with their new boss and all his drive.

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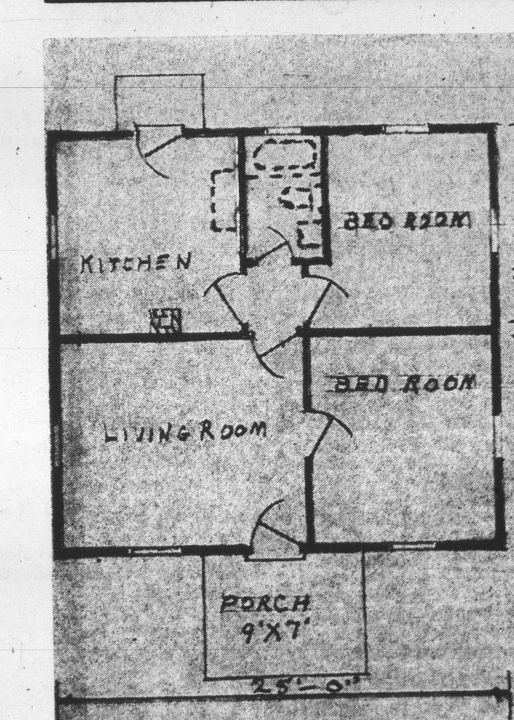

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